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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

Please amend claims 1 and 7:

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1. (Once Amended) A waterless cooking vessel assembly comprising a pan, a removable lid assembly comprising a lid having a generally convex upper surface and a generally concave lower surface and a peripheral rim, said lid assembly further comprising a knob assembly on said upper surface and defining at least one aperture through said knob assembly and said lid, said lid assembly further comprising a thermometer including a probe extending downward through said aperture and a temperature display, wherein said probe has a bottom end disposed above the rim, said probe containing a temperature sensing device disposed beneath said aperture and within said cooking vessel.

2. (Once Amended) A method of waterless cooking comprising placing one or more food items in a cooking pan

having a bottom wall, at least one side wall, and a removable lid assembly, said lid assembly comprising a lid having an upper surface and having a knob assembly on said upper surface and said lid assembly having at least one aperture therethrough, and a thermometer including a probe extending downward through said aperture and a temperature display;

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applying heat to the bottom of the pan;

measuring temperature by means of said probe, said probe having a temperature sensing device disposed beneath said aperture and within said pan, above all of said food items to measure temperature between said food items and said lid assembly.